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Mayor Healy & Fire Department Officials to Swear in 29 New Firefighters

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy, members of the Municipal Council, and Fire Department officials will swear in 29 new firefighters at 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 13, 2012, in City Council Chambers, 280 Grove Street.

The firefighters, who just finished a rigorous, 10-week training at the Morris County Fire Academy, will begin their assignments next week. Funding for the firefighters is part of an \$8.2 million federal SAFER grant the City received from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security/FEMA.

“We’re happy to once again use the federal grant to continue to keep our firefighters as full a compliment as we possibly can,” said **Mayor Healy**. “It’s urgent we continue to fill the slots created by the recent large retirements we’ve seen over the past couple of years. These new recruits are much needed and will be much appreciated.”

The new firefighters are: John Cossolini, Michael Lemanski, Terence Monaghan, Alejandro Cruz, Jon Burns, Leandro Ocfemia, James Armstrong, Robert Longo, Matthew Costello, Robert Anthony, Maurizio Denichilo, Jonnathan Yont, Stanley Principe, Mitrah Bhimdass, Anthony Santelises, Robert Houser, Bryan Giannecchini, Anthony Rucci, Tyler Nagel, Jeffrey Piorkowski, William Bowman, Raymond Gracia, Joseph Menendez, Nicholas Vecchio, Thomas Higgins, Gregg Petillo, Jeffrey Bresett, Brian Ellerson, and Jeffrey Onysko.

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